

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6423

ANSWERED ON:09.05.2005

FOODGRAIN ALLOCATION FOR FOOD FOR WORK SCHEME

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of additional foodgrains demanded by State Governments, especially Gujarat, under 'Food for Work' Programme during the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has initiated any action for immediate supply of such foodgrains;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and by when these foodgrains are likely to be supplied; and
- (d) if not, the main reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): A Statement showing the quantity of foodgrains demanded and allocation made to State Governments under Special Component of Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (earlier named as 'Food for Work' Programme) during the drought year of 2004-05 (August, 04 to July, 05) is at Annexure-I.

The Government of Gujarat have requested for allocation of 1.00 lakh tonnes of foodgrains under Special Component of SGRY. They have been advised by the Ministry of Rural Development to approach Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperation for getting evaluation of their demand by the Inter Ministerial Group/High Level Committee.

(b), (c), & (d): Adequate foodgrains are available in Food Corporation of India (FCI) godowns of the respective States. FCI and the Railways are fully geared to plan and to dispatch the required number of rakes of foodgrains every month for each consuming State/Union Territory (UT) at an optimally feasible level and to prioritize movement of rakes to take care of any special concern of a State/UT.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6423 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 9.5.2005 IN THE LOK SABHA..

(fig. In lakh tonnes)

Sl. No.	State	Foodgrains demanded	Foodgrains allocated
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1.	Andhra Pradesh	22.50	2.20
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2.	Bihar	12.93	2.00
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3.	Chhattisgarh	7.20	0.90
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4.	Jharkhand	Not specified	0.67
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5.	Karnataka	4.53	1.14
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6.	Madhya Pradesh	7.64	1.00
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7.	Maharashtra	2.00	
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8.	Rajasthan	28.80	6.99
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9. Tamil Nadu 5.40 1.50

Total 110.03 20.40